



# KENTUCKY LOCATIONS AND EXPANSIONS ANNOUNCED/REPORTED

Excluding those known to have been cancelled

**JANUARY - DECEMBER 2018** 

REPORT DATE: April 2, 2019

NUMBER OF ANNOUNCEMENTS: 57

**TOTAL INVESTMENT:** \$281,188,465

NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT: 1.606

Motor Vehicle-Related Facilities Reported by Announcement Type

### Kentucky

#### **New and Expanding Industries Report**

#### **Introduction and Methodology**

The Kentucky new and expanding industries reports provide a measure of economic development based on qualified industrial activity in the Commonwealth announced or reported during the year. The reports are compiled from data provided by companies, local and industrial development contacts, newspaper announcements, and Cabinet programs designed to locate and retain industry.

The reports include estimated number of jobs, estimated capital investments, and product/service descriptions. Activities are reported in the year the announcements are made, even though full employment announced may not be realized until future years. Kentucky Reinvestment Act (Jobs Saved column) have been calculated into the report beginning with projects announced after July 1, 2009.

If investment or employment exceeds the original announced figures, the additional investment or jobs are included as an expansion in a later report. If actual employment figures are less than those reported, future employment expansion are not reported until after the projected figure has been reached. Efforts are made to eliminate duplications and overestimates of jobs and investments.

New industries are defined as companies locating in a Kentucky community for the first time, companies locating an additional facility in a community with new product line, or the reopening of a facility after an announced permanent shutdown of operations. Expansions are defined as companies increasing employment, capital investment or square footage to physical facilities. Replacement of machinery is included only if it results in greater productivity or product improvement. Expansions announced after January 1, 2003, are included only if they are expected to increase employment or involve at least \$100,000 in investment. As of January 2009, the Investment figure includes (when applicable) rental/lease costs associated with a project. Prior to this, the figure is limited to capital investment. Announced locations/expansions are removed from the report if it is known that the location will not or the expansion did not take place.

The Service & Technology industry section includes new and expanding laboratories, research and development, warehousing and logistics, packaging and distribution, corporate headquarters, back-office operations, etc.

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## **New Manufacturing Firms**

## New Full-time Emp.

County	City	Facility	Investment	Beg.	Full	Product/Service
Clinton	Albany	Rack-It (2018)	\$1,352,075	25	25	Truck racks
Owen	Owenton	Pounds of Plastic, Inc. (2018)	\$5,196,250	54	54	Manufacturer of custom polymers and thermoplastics for automotive industry
Simpson	Franklin	Gehret Gage, LLC (2018)	\$1,505,000	16	16	Manufacture thread gages
Warren	Bowling Green	Holley Performance Products, Inc. (2018)	\$10,211,110	134	134	High-performance automotive products
Wayne	Monticello	Fitzgerald Industries II, LLC (2018)	\$6,000,000	250	250	Manufactures fabricated aluminum dump beds for class 8 trucks
Totals:		5	\$24,264,435		479	

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## **Expanding Manufacturing Firms**

# New Full-time Emp.

County	City	Facility	Investment	Beg.	Full	Product/Service
Barren	Glasgow	Nemak USA (2018)	\$3,258,000	23	23	Automotive parts assembly-machining facility and warehousing.
Boone	Independence	Blue Grass Metals Inc (2018)	\$4,065,000	15	15	Manufacturer of wire forms & metal stampings
Butler	Morgantown	Corvac Composites LLC (2018)	\$6,100,000	30	30	Thermoformed composite plastic materials and substrates primarily for the automotive industry
Christian	Hopkinsville	Denso Air Systems of Kentucky (2018)	\$3,525,000	45	45	Manufacture aluminum pipes, tubes and hoses for the automotive industry
Clark	Winchester	Sekisui S-LEC America LLC (2018)	\$1,200,000			Interlayer film for the laminated glass in automotive and architectural applications
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Fayette	Lexington	Blue Star Plastics Inc (2018)	\$5,000,000	20	20	Custom plastic injection molding & assembly
Fayette	Lexington	Contract Machining & Manufacturing (2018)	\$1,300,000	5	5	General, CNC, prototype & custom machining; tooling
Fayette	Lexington	ITW Powertrain Fastening (2018)	\$450,000			Metric screws, fastener assemblies and suspension end links
Fayette	Lexington	Kito USA (2018)	\$443,950	3	3	Robotic welding machine; conveyor; assembly jig
Fayette	Lexington	Webasto Roof Systems Inc (2018)	\$15,200,000	183	183	Automotive sunroofs
Franklin	Frankfort	IDT Tools Inc (2018)	\$832,020	1	1	Produce die components and stamping dies.
Grant	Dry Ridge	Kinmon Steel Company LLC (2018)	\$100,000	1	1	Material supplier/Manufacturing, CNC Machining, Production Machining
Grayson	Leitchfield	Site Safe Products LLC (2018)	\$1,300,000	5	5	Distributor and manufacturer of highway and work zone safe systems to include specialty trucks and aluminum access products.
Hardin	Elizabethtown	Altec Industries Inc (2018)	\$2,250,000	0	0	Aerial unit trucks for telecommunications and utility companies, telescopic aerial devices
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Hardin	Elizabethtown	Modern Plating Coatings & Finishes LLC (2018)	\$600,000			Metal finishing, electroplating & dip spin coatings service
Hardin	Elizabethtown	Summit Polymers Inc (2018)	\$3,979,428	16	16	Injection molded thermoplastics and auto interior components
Harrison	Cynthiana	E-Z Pack Refuse Hauling Solutions LLC (2018)	\$6,852,600	100	100	Machine shop: truck body fabrication-refuse bodies manufacturing
Henderson	Henderson	Royster's Machine Shop LLC (2018)	\$250,000			Machine shop: general & CNC machining, drilling, boring, cutting, honing, custom grinding, steel fabricating, arc & gas welding, lathe & mill work, production machining
Jefferson	Louisville	C & S Machine & Manufacturing Corp (2018)	\$1,000,000			Machine shop: CNC machining, arc & gas welding, drilling, boring, cutting, lathe & mill work, production machining. Tier 1 supplier. ISO 9001
Jefferson	Louisville	Ford Motor Company KTP (2018)	\$25,000,000			Production of super duty pick-up trucks (F-250 through F-550), Ford Expedition, Lincoln Navigator
Jefferson	Louisville	Grupo Antolin Kentucky Inc (2018)	\$800,000	100	100	Manufacturing of automotive interior components
Jefferson	Louisville	Visual Image Systems Company LLC (2018)	\$704,595	10	10	Automotive decals and advertising graphics
Laurel	London	Aisin Automotive Casting LLC (2018)	\$23,400,000	12	12	Aluminum engine and transmission components for the automotive market
Laurel	London	Highlands Diversified Services Inc (2018)	\$2,000,000			Automotive components, major appliances, telecommunications, and aerospace - metal stampings, welded sub-assemblies, and powder coated parts and assemblies.
Logan	Russellville	Rane Precision Die Casting Inc (2018)	\$2,000,000	12	12	Aluminum die castings
Madison	Berea	Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas Inc (2018)	\$8,600,000	0	0	Manufacture and assembly of brake and suspension systems.
Madison	Berea	Middletown Metal Works Inc (2018)	\$150,000			Product fabrication; machine, weld, paint; Laser, Press Brake, fabricated steel products
Madison	Richmond	Richmond Auto Parts Technology Inc (2018)	\$20,000,000	0	0	Automotive transmission gears; chassis components and automatic transmission components

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Marion	Lebanon	Fuel Total Systems Kentucky Corporation (2018)		37	37	Manufacture and supply automotive plastic fuel tank systems and fuel filler pipe systems
Meade	Brandenburg	Powers Paper Company Inc (2018)		28	28	Paper cutting & slitting
Montgomery	Mt. Sterling	Big Rapids Products Inc (2018)	\$7,000,000			Manufacture stainless steel products for exhaust systems and decorative trim for the automotive industry (metal stampings off presses with tonnage from 70-2000 tons)
Montgomery	Mt. Sterling	Big Rapids Products Inc (2018)	\$3,000,000	50	50	Manufacture stainless steel products for exhaust systems and decorative trim for the automotive industry (metal stampings off presses with tonnage from 70-2000 tons)
Montgomery	Mt. Sterling	Rogers Foam Corporation (2018)	\$200,000			Polyurethane & polyethylene foam products, servicing industries including high-tech, office products, medical transportation, sports and leisure, military and automotive.
Nelson	Coxs Creek	Integrity Tool & Mold LLC (2018)	\$750,000			Automation and machining services
Rockcastle	Brodhead	EST Tool & Machine Inc (2018)	\$250,000	6	6	Custom tooling and machining for the automotive, aerospace, forging and railroad industries. 3 axis CNC machining, CNC lathe work, wire EDM services, welded fabrication
Russell	Russell Springs	Lily Creek Industries Inc (2018)	\$400,000			Diesel engine parts
Scott	Georgetown	International Crankshaft Inc (2018)	\$2,446,637	0	0	Forged automotive crankshafts
Scott	Georgetown	Universal Piping Industries UPI (2018)	\$5,000,000	20	20	Manufacturing of industrial piping, supplier to major automotive companies. Provides installation services of the pipes they manufacture.
Scott	Georgetown	YS Precision Stamping Inc (2018)	\$3,000,000	60	60	Fine Blanking and Conventional Blanking to produce mainly automotive component parts.
Scott	Stamping Ground	Commonwealth Tool & Machine Inc (2018)	\$389,000			Design, build and integrate robotic welding equipment, resistance welders, spot welders, end effectors, tool & die, special machines & gauges, EDM work, materials handling equip & machine shop

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Totals:		50	\$256,624,030		1,107	
Whitley	Corbin	Karr Industries Inc (2018)	\$100,000			Machine shop: tool & die; machinery parts; tool and die manufacturing replacement parts for local manufacturers
Warren	Bowling Green	Precision Strip Inc (2018)	\$15,700,000	15	15	Steel, aluminum & copper processing and slitting service
Warren	Bowling Green	Kobelco Aluminum Products and Extrusions Inc (KPEX) (2018)	\$48,500,000	115	115	Aluminum extrusion and fabrication
Warren	Bowling Green	Bowling Green Metalforming LLC (2018)	\$14,200,000	27	27	Automotive parts
Warren	Bowling Green	Bendix Spicer Foundation Brake LLC (2018)		53	53	Design, develop, manufacture & distribute products used in air brake systems for commercial vehicles
Simpson	Franklin	Worldwide Technologies, LLC (2018)	\$1,000,000	10	10	Production Machining Lathe and Mill, 3 and 4 axis
Shelby	Shelbyville	Nifco America Corporation (2018)	\$1,097,000			Manufacture plastic injection molded fasteners for the automotive industry
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## **Expanding Service & Technology Firms**

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Jefferson	Louisville	IMR Test Labs Louisville (2018)	\$100,000			
Simpson	Franklin	Holley Performance Products (2018)	\$200,000	20	20	Distribution center for manufacturer of automotive, marine parts & accessories: carburetors, fuel injection & transmission modulators, exhaust systems, nos-nitrous oxide systems, plumbing
Totals:		2	\$300,000		20	
Grand Tota	ls:	57	\$281,188,465		1,606	

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